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ELECTRODE ARRANGEMENT FOR GENERATING

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner of Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified application, please make the following amendment to the claims:

In the Claims:

<u>Cancel claims 1 to 19</u> as amended during Chapter II procedure.

Please add the following new claims.

1 - 20. A microsystem adapted for dielectrophoretic manipulation of

2 particles in a suspension liquid in a channel and an electrode arrangement with at least

one microelectrode on a lateral wall of the channel for generating a field barrier which

4 crosses the channel at least partly;

5 characterised in that

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